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April 11, 2006

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 2, 3, AND 5
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Approve and ratify changes in work and accept completed contract work under the following construction contracts:

Project ID No. FCC0000875 - Santa Anita Wash Repair Access Roads, Cities of Arcadia and Monrovia (5), Remedial Civil Constructors, Inc., with changes in the amount of \$13,794.18, and a final contract amount of \$510,294.18 (Partial Acceptance).

Project ID No. FCC0000962 - Project No. 248 Montana Avenue Storm Drain Repair, City of Santa Monica (3), S. P. Pazargad Engineering Construction, Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$2,495.00, and a final contract amount of \$671,357.34.

Project ID No. FCC0000972 - Santa Clara River-South Fork Stabilizer Repair at PD No. 1300, City of Santa Clarita (5), Buso Constructors, Inc., with changes in the amount of \$559.62, and a final contract amount of \$1,234,938.49.

Project ID. No. FMD0001041 - Verdugo Debris Basin, Sediment Removal, City of Glendale (5), R.C.C., with changes in the in amount of \$6,424.84, and a final contract amount of \$736,032.34 (Partial Acceptance).

Project ID No. RDC0013423 - 112th Street, et al., vicinity of Athens (2), Garcia Juarez Construction, Inc., with a final contract amount of \$493,082.07.

Project ID No. RDC0013713 - Kanan Dume Road, et al., vicinity of Calabasas (3), Security Paving Company, Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$183,050.80, and a final contract amount of \$2,008,914.37.

Project. ID. No. RMD3346003 - Roadside Tree Trimming, Malibu, et al., vicinity of Malibu (3), Trimming Land Co., Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$2,162.00, and a final contract amount of \$128,718.00.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

This action is to obtain Board ratification of Director-approved changes in public works contracts, Board approval of changes in public works contracts, and Board acceptance of the work of the contracts in compliance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code. Included in the enclosures are project and contract data, the scope of work of changes to be ratified or approved, and the work of the contracts to be accepted.

The Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Changes to accommodate field conditions in order to meet the intent of the plans and specifications are not subject to this monetary limitation. Enclosed for your ratification are changes in work, which I ordered for Project ID Nos. FCC0000962, FCC0000972, FMD0001041, RDC0013713, and RMD3346003.

Also, enclosed for your approval is a change in work in excess of my delegated limits, which is required to complete Project ID No. FCC0000875.

The projects have been completed, and it is recommended that your Board accept them on the dates indicated in the enclosures.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The acceptance of these construction contracts is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since acceptance of these completed contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The modifications to the contract amounts range in value from a credit of \$183,050.80 to an increase in the in the amount of \$13,794.18, while the total value of the contracts range from \$128,718.00 to \$2,008,914.37.

Ratification and approval of the changes in work and acceptance of the work of the respective contracts by your Board is in compliance with the acceptance and prompt payment provisions of the Public Contract Code.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the changes and the total value of each of the contracts. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes together with contract cost summaries are included in the enclosures.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Each of these contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The changes in the work as described above and in the enclosures are within the limits of the Board-approved projects and do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

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CONTRACTING PROCESS

Each contract provided that the contractor be compensated for changes in the work as a result of changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs of each of the changes were based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or were negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the final costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Ratification or approval of the requested changes and acceptance of the work of the contracts by your Board will ensure the timely closeout of the respective contracts, releasing Departmental and County assets for other construction-related activities.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. WOLFE
Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT (PARTIAL)
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PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000875, SANTA ANITA WASH REPAIR ACCESS ROADS
(Cities of Arcadia and Monrovia), Supervisorial District 5

Contractor: Remedial Civil Constructors, Inc., 3823 Ocean View Boulevard, Montrose, California 91020

Project Description:

Reconstruction of the access roads along a flood control channel; construction of an irrigation system, catch basins, and connector pipes; removal and planting of trees; and other appurtenant work.

Changes in Work:

(1) Variation in Bid Quantities	(\$ 8,097.00)
(2) Remove Chainlink Fence	2,842.92
(3) Remove Existing AC Pavement	9,930.20
(4) Reinforced Concrete Removal	<u>9,118.06</u>
Total	<u>\$13,794.18</u>

Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) The City of Arcadia requested that a section of chainlink fence along the west side of the Santa Anita Wash between Foothill and Colorado Boulevards be removed. This work was not shown on the plans.

(3) In order to repair the access roads in some locations, it was necessary to remove existing AC pavement. This work was not shown on the plans.

(4) Due to a substantial difference between the specified quantity for Bid Item No. 9 (Concrete Removal - Reinforced) and the actual quantities, it was necessary to compensate the contractor for this work at a higher rate.

The costs for Item 1 and a portion of Item 3 were based on contract unit prices. The costs for Items 2, 4, and the remainder of Item 3 were based on time and materials as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

Eleven additional working days were required because of these changes. The contractor was also granted two additional working days for the removal of large boulders at no additional cost to the County.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on February 8, 2006, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

The County and the contractor are currently negotiating the resolution of a claim submitted by the contractor. Rather than delay payment of the retention to the contractor for completed work and pursuant to Section 7107 of the California Public Contract Code, we recommend all retention be released.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$540,000.00
Changes in work to be authorized	13,794.18
Deduction for Liquidated Damages	<u>(43,500.00)</u>
 AMOUNT DUE CONTRACTOR AT THIS TIME	 <u>\$510,294.18</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000962, PROJECT NO. 248 MONTANA AVENUE STORM DRAIN REPAIR (City of Santa Monica), Supervisorial District 3

Contractor: S. P. Pazargad Engineering Construction, Inc., 7120 Hayvenhurst Avenue, Suite 108, Van Nuys, California 91406

Project Description:

Repair of an existing outlet structure, construction of reinforced concrete pipe and concrete collars, and other appurtenant work.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities (\$2,495.00)

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

No additional working days were required because of these changes. However, the contractor was granted an additional 53 working days due to a delay in obtaining materials, unanticipated difficulties in drilling and setting piles, and to seal the pipe joints.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on February 6, 2006, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$666,031.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	7,821.34
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	<u>(2,495.00)</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$671,357.34</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000972, SANTA CLARA RIVER-SOUTH FORK STABILIZER
REPAIR AT PD NO. 1300 (City of Santa Clarita), Supervisorial District 5

Contractor: Buso Constructors, Inc., 14700 Firestone Boulevard, Suite 103, La Mirada, California 90638

Project Description:

Repair and reconstruction of a reinforced concrete channel stabilizer, rock channel lining, and other appurtenant work.

Change in Work:

Drainage Geotextile	\$559.62
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Description of Change:

Your Board previously approved a change in work to install geotextile fabric behind the newly constructed wall in order to slow water intrusion and soil erosion during periods of high water flows. The cost for this work exceeded the original estimate by the amount shown. The cost for this item was based on time and materials as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days were required because of this change.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on January 13, 2006, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$1,093,910.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	140,468.87
Change in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	<u>559.62</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$1,234,938.49</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT (PARTIAL)
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PROJECT ID NO. FMD0001041, VERDUGO DEBRIS BASIN, SEDIMENT REMOVAL
(City of Glendale), Supervisorial District 5

Contractor: R.C.C., 3823 Ocean View Boulevard, Montrose, California 91020

Project Description:

Removal of sediment from Verdugo Debris Basin.

Change in Work:

Performance Bond	\$6,424.84
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Description of Change:

The contract specifications indicate that the contractor will be compensated for the actual cost of the performance bond. The contract increased in scope and size resulting in an increase in bond costs. It was necessary to compensate the contractor for this additional expense. The cost for this item was based on time and materials as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days were required because of this change.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on January 13, 2006, in accordance with the plans and specifications; however, the contractor has submitted a claim requesting compensation for additional sediment removed from the basin.

Rather than delay payment of the retention to the contractor for the completed work and pursuant to Section 7107 of the California Public Contract Code, we recommend that all retention be released. Upon resolution of the claim, we will return to your Board with our recommendation for the final acceptance of the contract.

In addition, the contractor requested nine hours of overtime inspection, which resulted in a credit to the contract.

Amount Due Contractor at this Time:

Original contract amount	\$560,220.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	169,860.00
Change in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	6,424.84
Deduction for overtime inspection	(472.50)
AMOUNT DUE CONTRACTOR AT THIS TIME	<u>\$736,032.34</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0013423, 112TH STREET, ET AL. (in the vicinity of Athens),
Supervisorial District 2

Contractor: Garcia Juarez Construction, Inc., P.O. Box 309, Brea,
California 92802-0309

Project Description:

Reconstruction of roadway pavement, cross gutter, sidewalk, curb ramps, alley intersections, driveways, and curb and gutter; removal, root pruning, and planting of parkway trees; and other appurtenant work.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on February 23, 2006, in accordance with the plans and specifications.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$426,416.75
Actual costs of changes in works previously approved by the Board	<u>66,665.32</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$493,082.07</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT (PARTIAL)
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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0013713, KANAN DUME ROAD, ET AL. (in the vicinity of Calabasas), Supervisorial District 3

Contractor: Security Paving Company, Inc., P. O. Box 1489, Sun Valley, California 91353-1489

Project Description:

Resurfacing and reconstruction of roadway pavement, replacement of guardrail, installation of striping and pavement markings, and other appurtenant work.

Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities	(\$187,484.80)
(2) Adjust Manholes	<u>4,434.00</u>
Total	<u>(\$183,050.80)</u>

Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) The plans included one manhole to be adjusted. In the field three additional manholes were adjusted at a new negotiated price.

The costs for Item 1 were based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 2 was negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications.

There will be no additional working days required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on January 19, 2006, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

The County and the contractor are currently negotiating extra work requested by the Road Maintenance and Traffic and Lighting Divisions. Rather than delay payment of the retention to the contractor until this issue is resolved and pursuant to Section 7107 of the California Public Contract Code, we recommend releasing all amounts due the contractor. Once the issues of the disputed work are resolved, we will return to your Board for final acceptance.

Amount Due Contractor At This Time:

Original contract amount	\$2,046,543.00
Actual changes in work previously approved by the Board	145,422.17
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	<u>(183,050.80)</u>
AMOUNT DUE CONTRACTOR AT THIS TIME	<u>\$2,008,914.37</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. RMD3346003, ROADSIDE TREE TRIMMING, MALIBU, ET AL.
(in the vicinity of Malibu), Supervisorial District 3

Contractor: Trimming Land Co., Inc., 10513 Dolores Avenue, South Gate
California 90280

Project Description:

Trimming and removal of parkway trees.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities (\$2,162.00)

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on the contract unit prices.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on February 3, 2006, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

In addition, the contractor requested eight hours of overtime inspection that resulted in a credit to the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$131,300.00
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	(2,162.00)
Deduction for overtime inspection	<u>(420.00)</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$128,718.00</u>

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